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Thank you, Madam Chair.

I would like to thank Ms. Viotti, Chef de Cabinet, and Mr. Ruiz Massieu, Chair of the ACABQ for their respective reports.

Madam Chair, by its resolution 72/266B, the General Assembly supported the Secretary-General's vision on shifting the management paradigm of the United Nations and approved the creation of the Department of Management, Strategy, Policy and Compliance and the Department of Operational Support. While there is much yet to be accomplished in realizing true reform of this Organization, my delegation would like to thank and congratulate the Secretary-General for his personal leadership and vision in guiding UN reform forward. UN reform must result in improved mandate delivery and more efficient operations. Comprehensive transformation in organizational culture and leadership is essential to this process.

Madam Chair, the Assembly further requested the Secretary-General in its resolution 72/266B to